Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 16 Jun 2021 until 23:59 on Thursday 17 Jun 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 16 Jun 2021 at 03:29 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium confidence, uncertainties lie in amount of rain and low cloud on Wednesday and also cloud amounts later in the week.

Headline for Wednesday 16 Jun 2021: Cloudy but a few sunny spells, perhaps the odd shower too.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 16 Jun 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability					
30%	30%	20%	20%	20%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 16 Jun 2021

Weather: Rain overnight will become light and patchy, some ranges in the north and east will see very little rain. Low cloud will lift around dawn to leave a bright day with some sunny spells especially around more eastern ranges like Glen Affric and Ben Wyvis, some ranges further west may not see so much sunshine like The Cuillins and Ben Assynt. A lot of cloud clearing in the evening leaving quite a clear night.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% at the start of the day improving to 95% during the afternoon. Low cloud is in association with the weak weather front across the area.

Visibility: Extensive cloud above 500m in the morning will gradually lift and clear, around Sutherland and Caithness hills cloud bases will be higher and cloud more scattered. In the afternoon there will just be patches in the west around 800m. General visibility will be good or very good during the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	40/48 SW	39/49 SW	38/49 SW	37/48 SW	31/41 SW	27/35 SW	25/33 SW
900	38/46 SW	38/48 SW	38/49 SW	37/48 SW	30/40 SW	26/34 SW	24/32 SW
600	28/35 SW	29/39 SW	30/42 SW	29/41 SW	25/34 SW	20/27 SW	18/25 SW
300	7/30 SW	11/37 SW	13/39 SW	12/38 SW	9/31 SW	7/26 SW	6/23 SW
Glen	9/20 S	16/31 SW	19/34 SW	19/35 SW	14/27 SW	10/21 SW	8/20 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	3/-5	4/-3	5/-2	5/-2	4/-2	4/-2	3/-2
900	4/-3	5/-2	6/-1	6/-1	5/-1	4/-1	4/-1
600	6/1	7/2	8/3	9/4	8/3	7/2	6/2
300	10/8	10/8	12/9	11/9	11/9	9/8	9/7
Glen	12/10	13/10	14/11	15/11	13/11	12/10	11/9
Freezing Level*	1400m	1600m	1500m	1500m	1500m	1400m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Southwesterly gales continuing for much of the day, easing in the evening. Noticeable wind chill in association with strong winds and freezing level falling to just above the summits early on Wednesday morning.

Forecast for Thursday 17 Jun 2021
Weather: A cloudy start to the day, there is the risk of one or two showers but otherwise it will be generally dry although cloudy at times.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 15-20mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%, patches of low cloud in the morning will clear and likelihood will increase to 95% with good views likely.

Visibility: Generally good visibility around the ranges but perhaps moderate in the morning with patches of low cloud around 700m in the morning. These will clear with most summits remaining clear.

Temperature: **Glens:**
At 800m: Plus 6 rising to 15 Celsius.
Freezing level: Plus 3 rising to 8 Celsius.

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